County Library Board Meeting August 14, 2008

The meeting came to order at 9:10 am with Chair, Evalyn Johnson; Trustees, Donna Ohs, Pat Bradley and Gary Forney; Library Assistant, Faye Rutherford; County Finance Director, Vicki Tilstra; Statewide Consulting Librarian, Maggie Meredith; Commissioner, Jim Hart and Director, Joanne Erdall present. Vice Chair, Judy Brendel was absent.

The minutes of the July 10, 2008 meeting were read. Correct second paragraph, May should be June meeting minutes. A motion to accept with this correction was made by Ohs and a second by Forney. All in favor.

Old Business:

Per Pat Bradley's request, we discussed time sheet requirements and sick leave and vacation leave accruements. County Finance Director, Vicki Tilstra assisted Erdall in answering her questions.

Tilstra also explained how she set up the Library Capital Improvement line item with funds not expended in last year's budget. Fund number is 4000 and \$6526.00 was deposited.

Discussion was held on the upcoming work project and putting out bids. Commissioner, Hart assisted us with how to proceed. Erdall shared information from the Conservation Assessment Program grant guidelines per recommendations of Jim MacDonald, historical architect. Members would look over the material and we would discuss further at the next meeting.

Library Update:

Erdall shared a copy of our Public Library Standards report to the State Library.

Erdall discussed several areas of work she would like to accomplish at the next three months board meetings. Reminded them we need to elect officers at the next meeting.

A copy of Heritage Commission Living History Director, Bill Peterson's, Save Our History Grant was given to everyone. Our library would assist the teaching of these classes per our partnership agreement.

Downloadable e-content was discussed and explained by Erdall and Meredith. Whether our library would or could afford to take part in this project for our patrons would be discussed further in the upcoming months.

Erdall received an email on an upcoming session presented by a company called Benevon that helps "Create Sustainable Funding for Non Profits" to be held in two locations in Montana in August. She shared the email with County Grant Writer, Barbie Durham and found out that she will indeed attend. Forney would also try to attend.

Maggie Meredith, Statewide Library Consultant attended our meeting to congratulate Erdall on being elected to the Montana Shared Catalog Executive Committee. She hoped everyone realized the honor it held and praised Erdall for her willingness to assist the State Library projects and her peers.

The next meeting was set for Thursday, September 11th at 9:00 am.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:37